

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 4, 13, and 24, without prejudice or disclaimer, and amend claims 1, 10, and 21. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A presentation material publishing system comprising:

a presenter;

a reader; and

a presentation material publishing server for storing public information and presentation materials, determining a presentation cost as a function of said public information, and permitting access to said public information, wherein said public information contains at least a publication period of said presentation materials, and the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader is permitted only in the publication period;

presenter information management means for managing presenter information in accordance with a depth of use[[,]] ; and

membership registration means for enabling the presenter and the reader to register for authorized access to said presentation material publishing server and for authenticating the authority for the presenter and the reader,

wherein said presenter can register predetermined public information in said presentation material publishing server via said network and can upload said

presentation materials in such a manner as to be associated with said public information, and

wherein said reader can browse the presentation materials permitted by said presentation material publishing server based upon said download condition of said presentation materials and registration of said reader by said membership registration means, via said network.

2. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein, in said presentation material publishing server, the uploading of said presentation information by said presenter is not permitted until the public information is registered from said presenter.

3. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein, in said presentation material publishing server, the uploading of said presentation information by said presenter is not permitted until the user registration of a presenter user is performed from said presenter.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein said public information contains at least category information of said presentation materials, and said presentation materials are classified according to said category information and are made public.

6. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein said public information contains browsing permission information of said reader, and only the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader that matches browsing permission conditions is permitted.

7. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein said presentation material publishing server notifies said presenter of estimate information on the basis of the public information registered by said presenter.

8. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 1, wherein said presentation material publishing server performs a credit process of said presenter before the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is performed, and when said credit process is not approved, the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is not permitted.

9. (Original) A presentation material publishing system according to claim 8, wherein only when said uploading of said presentation materials is permitted, the uploading target address is notified to said presenter.

10. (Currently Amended) A presentation material publishing server comprising:

a storage device capable of storing presentation materials uploaded from a presenter via a network in such a manner as to be associated with public information, wherein said public information contains at least a publication period of said presentation materials;

a browsing permission device having the right to permit the browsing of said presentation materials by a reader which has accessed them via a network, wherein the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader is permitted only in the publication period;

membership registration means for enabling the presenter and the reader to register for authorized access to said presentation material publishing server, for

determining a presentation cost as a function of said public information, and for authenticating the authority for the presenter and the reader; and

presenter information management means for managing presenter information in accordance with a depth of use.

11. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, wherein the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is not permitted until the public information is registered from said presenter.

12. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, wherein the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is not permitted until a user registration of a presenter user is registered from said presenter.

13. (Canceled).

14. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, wherein said public information contains at least category information of said presentation materials, and said presentation materials are classified according to said category information and are made public.

15. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, wherein said public information contains browsing permission information of said reader, and only the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader that matches browsing permission conditions is permitted.

16. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, further comprising an estimate device for notifying said presenter of estimate information on the basis of the public information registered by said presenter.

17. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 10, further comprising a credit device for performing a credit process of said presenter before the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is performed, and when said credit process is not approved, the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is not permitted.

18. (Original) A presentation material publishing server according to claim 17, further comprising an address notification device for notifying the uploading target address of said presentation materials, and only when said uploading of said presentation materials is permitted, the uploading target address is notified to said presenter.

19. (Original) A presentation material publishing program storage medium by which a computer forms the presentation material publishing server according to claim 10.

20. (Original) A presentation material publishing program by which a computer forms the presentation material publishing server according to claim 10.

21. (Currently Amended) A presentation material publishing method comprising:

a step in which a presenter accesses a presentation material publishing server via a network and uploads presentation materials to said presentation material publishing server via said network;

a step of storing said uploaded presentation materials in such a manner as to be associated with public information, wherein said public information contains at least a publication period of said presentation materials;

a step of permitting the browsing of the presentation materials by a reader which has accessed said presentation material publishing server via said network,

wherein the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader is permitted only in the publication period; and wherein the presenter and the reader register for authorized access to said presentation material publishing server and the authority for the presenter and the reader is authenticated;

a step of managing presenter information in accordance with a depth of use; and
a step of determining a presentation cost as a function of said public information[[],].

22. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein, in said presentation material publishing server, the uploading of said presentation information by said presenter is not permitted until the public information is registered from said presenter.

23. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein, in said presentation material publishing server, the uploading of said presentation information by said presenter is not permitted until the user registration of a presenter user is performed from said presenter.

24. (Canceled).

25. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein said public information contains at least category information of said presentation materials, and said presentation materials are classified according to said category information and are made public.

26. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein said public information contains browsing permission information of said reader, and only the browsing of said presentation materials by said reader that matches browsing permission conditions is permitted.

27. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein said presentation material publishing server notifies said presenter of estimate information on the basis of the public information registered by said presenter.

28. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein said presentation material publishing server performs a credit process of said presenter before the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is performed, and when said credit process is not approved, the uploading of said presentation materials by said presenter is not permitted.

29. (Original) A presentation material publishing method according to claim 21, wherein only when said uploading of said presentation materials is permitted, the uploading target address is notified to said presenter.